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INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE

The Utah Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force (ICAC) has recently been established as a response to the growing number of pedophiles who use the Internet to distribute or buy child pornography, or arrange meetings with their juvenile victims.

The ICAC is comprised of personnel from Salt Lake City PD, Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office, the FBI, the US Postal Inspectors, Utah Department of Corrections, the Utah Criminal Investigations Bureau, and the Utah Attorney General's Office. The aim of the Task Force is to protect children, apprehend and convict "Travelers" (those who travel cross-country to engage in sexual activity with juveniles they met on the Internet), and apprehend and convict those who use the Internet to distribute and manufacture child pornography.

In a recent meeting, Lt. Ken Hansen, task force director, gave some eye-opening demonstrations. An investigator with the task force obtained the e-mail address of a young teenage girl from a popular Internet "chat room." Equipped with only her e-mail address, it took the investigator just 45 minutes to discover the girl's home phone number and home address! The only tools needed to find this information were a simple Internet connection, and a moderate amount of computer savvy. (And, as Lt. Hansen pointed out, most of those who use the Internet to prey on children are extremely knowledgeable about computer technology and the Internet.)

Lt. Hansen also quoted some troubling statistics from a recent Time/CNN poll of teenage Internet users. In response to the question "Have you encountered people online who want your phone number or address?", 58% of girls and 39% of boys responded "yes." Among those teenagers who have used the Internet, 44% claim that they have visited a web site with X-Rated or sexual content. When asked "How much do your parents know about your Internet use?", 38% replied "a lot," 45% replied "a little," and 17% replied "nothing."

If your agency would like to learn more about fighting Internet crimes against children, please contact ICAC at 801-579-4475.

INTERNATIONAL DRIVERS LICENSES?

There has been much confusion recently over valid, international driving permits, and fraudulent "international drivers' licenses" that can be obtained over the Internet.

Valid, "international driving permits" are not operating licenses themselves, but rather are *supplements* to a valid operating permit that has been issued by the permit holder's country of residence. These valid operating permits are on gray paper, are unlaminated, and must *accompany the actual driver's license* issued by the country of origin. Such permits are only valid for one year from the date of issuance.

However, some entities are now selling fraudulent

"international drivers' licenses" over the Internet or by other means. Some of these licenses claim to be issued by countries that do not even exist! Most often, these fraudulent permits are obtained by individuals who seek to avoid being identified, or by those who seek to avoid penalty

Remember, a valid international driving permit is only a supplement to a valid driving permit that has been issued to a citizen of a foreign country who is visiting the United States.

FIREARMS

BCI is pleased to announce our new Concealed Permit Cross Match Check. The program, which operates on a daily basis, runs the name of each Utah Concealed Weapon Permit holder against UCCH and Statewide Warrants; allowing BCI to take action against those permit holders who have violated the conditions of holding a permit.

However, even with this new program in place, it is still imperative that agencies notify BCI whenever they handle an incident involving a Concealed Weapon Permit holder.

BCI ON THE WEB

Have you seen what's new at our website? Don't forget that we are continually adding new items to our website at www.bci.state.ut.us Items that can be currently found on our website include:

- Applications for Concealed Weapon Permits, Expungements, and Rights of Access
- Brady Bill information and statistics
- Concealed Weapon laws and information
- Crime Statistics for 1998 and 1999
- Logon and Testing Request Forms
- Newsletters
- Training Schedules for Baseline Trainings, TAC Trainings, BCI Roundtables, etc.
- UCR forms for submitting statistics (A, B1, B2, C, F, and Arson Forms)

BCI would also like to encourage all TAC's, and administrators, to read the Spring TAC Meeting "Follow Up" letter on our site at http://www.bci.state.ut.us/tac_information/TAC%20 letter.pdf

NCIC REMINDERS
or….
"Who Wants to Be a Knowledgeable UCJIS User?"

With your host, Regis UCJIS

One of your officers asks you to run an NCIC check on an abandoned vehicle. The NCIC response comes back that the vehicle is wanted by the Boise PD in connection with a felony. What do you do now?

A. Send an "Urgent" YQ message to the Boise PD.
B. Call Boise PD on the phone.
C. Send a "Routine" YQ message to the Boise PD.
D. Send an AM message to Boise PD, telling them about the vehicle.

(Is that your final answer?)

If your answer was "C – Send a 'Routine' YQ inquiry to the Boise PD, you are correct! Since the vehicle is abandoned, and is not going anywhere, there is no reason to send an unnecessary "Urgent" YQ to Boise.

Remember, "Urgent" YQ's are just that…URGENT! Agencies should only send Urgent (10-minute) requests when there is *no other reason* to hold the individual and/or vehicle except for the NCIC hit.

If your agency will be detaining the individual, or impounding the vehicle, there is no reason to send an "Urgent" message and place undue strain on the responding agency.

$.H. MESSAGES

"$.H." Messages, which are a new feature of NCIC 2000, are still resulting in a lot of questions from agencies.

These are administrative messages that are sent to your agency when you: a) enter or modify a record which has been the result of an inquiry within the last five days, or b) when another agency enters or modifies a record that your agency has inquired on within the past five days.

For instance: your agency inquires on a vehicle that has not yet been entered into NCIC. Twelve

hours later, Las Vegas PD enters that same vehicle into NCIC. Both your agency and the Las Vegas PD will then receive $. H. messages.

It is the responsibility of your agency (and not the responsibility of BCI) to follow-up on the information contained in the $.H. message.

2000 FALL TAC TRAINING

Don't forget to make room on your calendar for this year's Fall TAC Training. Training sessions will be held at various locations around the state in October and November. A tentative schedule for the sessions is available at our website at http://www.bci.state.ut.us/trainingdates1.html.

A JOB WELL DONE!

We would like to acknowledge **NAPLES PD**, for having submitted perfect, error-free NIBRS statistical reports since January 1999! Also, congrats to the CACHE-RICH DRUG TASK FORCE which has also submitted error-free NIBRS data since it began submitting statistical data in April of 1999.

We would also like to acknowledge the following agencies who have maintained a NIBRS error rate of one half of one percent (or less) since January of 1999: Grantsville PD, Logan PD, Moab PD, Riverdale PD, Sandy PD, Tremonton PD, Wasatch County Sheriff's Office, Weber County Sheriff's Office, and Woods Cross PD.

WELCOME ABOARD to Southern Utah University PD and the Utah County Strike Force, which have recently become NIBRS Certified.

UCR/IBR

Is your agency submitting all reported "Attempted Crimes"?

Remember, in the UCR/IBR program, all "attempts to commit a crime are classified as though the crimes were actually completed." (*Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook*, p. 33.) The only exception to this rule is "Attempted Homicide." If the victim *does not die*, classify the incident as "Aggravated Assault," regardless of the offender's intentions to kill the victim.

UCR Agencies: on the A Form, report all attempted rapes under "Attempts to commit Forcible Rape." Report all attempted burglaries under "Attempted Forcible Entry." Report all attempted robberies, assaults, thefts, and motor vehicle thefts just as you would report a completed offense.

IBR Agencies: as an incident is entered into your system, you will be asked if the offense was completed or attempted. (Please see *NIBRS Volume 1, Data Collection Guidelines*, p. 71) Remember, "Attempted Homicide" is to be reported as Aggravated Assault, and *all* Assault Offenses are to be coded as "Completed." Incorrect coding of Attempted Homicides may cause an inaccurate reflection of your agency's homicide statistics.

WHAT DO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES HAVE IN COMMON?

Alta Justice Court, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Carbon County Justice Court, Clinton Justice Court, Clinton PD, Daggett County Sheriff Office, Draper Justice Court, Duchesne Justice Court, Dugway Proving Grounds, Juab County Sheriffs Office, North Ogden Justice Court, Rich County Sheriffs Office, Riverdale Justice Court, Salt Lake County Constables, San Juan County Sheriffs Office, Syracuse Justice Court, Syracuse PD, Uintah Basin Narcotics Strike Force, Uintah County Justice Court, Utah County Justice Court, Vernal City Justice Court, Washington City Justice Court, Weber Communications, Weber County Attorney, Wellington City Justice Court, Willard PD, and Zion National Park?

All personnel at these agencies who needed to pass the BCI Tests have done so! We thank you for your diligence!

LOGON REQUEST REMINDER

If your agency is mailing, e-mailing, or faxing a logon request to BCI, please do not send that particular request more than once. Many agencies are sending duplicate requests to BCI "just to make sure we get it." However, these duplicate requests only slow down the process, and will delay the authorizations of logons for everyone.

Also, BCI occasionally receives the same logon request from two different persons at an agency. Before requesting a logon, please make sure that

no one else in your agency has already sent the request.

10-PRINT APPLICANT CARDS

A reminder that *ALL* 10-Print applicant cards that are not *completely* and *correctly* filled out will be returned to the submitting agency, and will not be processed by BCI. Please make sure your agency follows these guidelines:

When filling out the 10-print card, **please use black ink and please print legibly**. The following marked fields must be filled out:

1) REMINDER-Please print in black ink.
2) Name of applicant. (Last name, First name, Middle name)
3) Any AKA's, including maiden names.
4) DOB and physical information. Remember, HGT and WGT are in whole numbers. i.e., 5 feet 6 inches is 506, 5 feet 11 inches is 511.
5) Signature of the person being fingerprinted.
6) Residence - the street address of person being fingerprinted.
7) Date fingerprinted and signature of person taking the fingerprints.
8) Employer name and employer address of person being fingerprinted.
9) Reason being fingerprinted. For BCI logon purposes this should *always* be Law Enforcement Applicant or L. E. Applicant.
10) Background information of the person being fingerprinted including citizenship (What country: i.e., USA), Armed Forces number, Social Security Number.
11) OCA should always be L.E.

The *only* fields that are optional in the above list are AKA.'s and Armed Forces number; please leave these blank *only* if the applicant has no AKA's or Armed Forces Numbers. All other fields are *required*, and the card will be returned if they are not filled in correctly.

Also, use only the "Applicant" 10 print cards, which are the ones printed with blue ink.

Please review cards before sending them into BCI. Recently, BCI received an applicant card for a logon ID that contained only the signature of the applicant, with no other identifying information filled in. And finally, BCI just received an applicant card in which the applicant stated that his race was "Human."

Remember - taking a few extra minutes to properly fill out the applicant cards may save you weeks in the long run. If you have any questions about filling out a card, please call Chuck Collett at 801-965-4409.

MISSING PERSON INFORMATION

UTAP CORRECTION !

WE GOOFED! In the article about UTAP (Utah Criminal Tracking and Analysis Program) in April's Newsletter, an incorrect phone number was listed.

If your agency would like to utilize the services of UTAP in a Missing Persons Investigation, please contact Mike King of the Attorney General's Investigative Division at 801-698-2750 (cell), 801-366-0278 (office) or instate at 1-800-AG4-INFO. Information about UTAP can also be found at their website at www.utap.org

UTAP consists of members from the medical examiners office, law enforcement, forensic scientists, prosecution and defense attorneys, and psychiatrists. Please feel free to contact them at one of the numbers above if your agency would like their help in a missing persons investigation.